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## Some think fall break should be much earlier

by AARON E. RUNYON  
reporter

Some students and faculty were hoping for a breather with a mid-semester break this term.

But instead, they are left holding their breath with the final days of the semester nearing.

"This is just silly," said Carrie Uihlein Nilles, professor of sociology. "We'll come back from a week off and have another one

left. I would rather push through to finals and most students I've talked to feel the same way."

For the past two years, the organizers of the fall academic calendar have placed fall break during the week of Thanksgiving. In the past, two days were given during October with an additional three-day break coinciding with the Thanksgiving holiday.

Dr. Frances S. Hensley, assistant vice president for academic

affairs, said the initial change from the October break was established with the 1998 fall calendar and finalized in February

**MORE INSIDE** 1998 by Marshall's Calendar Committee. That committee, which decides the academic calendar for the following year, consists of students, faculty and other university representatives. The student members voted in

preference of the week-long break over the previous system, Hensley said.

Since that decision, the committee began planning calendars for two-year periods. As a result, the fall 2000 calendar will follow the same format.

"With a break coming this late in the semester, it can be distressing to students and faculty," Hensley said. "Many have said they could use a few days

off earlier in the semester."

Students agreed.

"I'd rather have it earlier in the fall," said Gabe Stapleton, senior physics major from Ironton. "It's not really a break when it comes this late in the semester."

Mary Ann Kiger, sophomore accounting major from Huntington, said the lack of an October break made midterms unnecessarily overwhelming.

"I'm just happy we get a break

at all," Kiger said. "It would be less stressful if they divided the workload with a break near midterms."

Some professors were content with the break, but felt that it may add unneeded stress.

"I think our students definitely need a break earlier in the semester," said Dr. Joseph M. Stone, professor of legal

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## Career center trying to make job hunting an easier task

by AARON E. RUNYON  
reporter

The final steps of the job search may often prove expensive for graduating seniors.

But the Career Services Center is trying to lessen the financial burden.

The Career Services Center began offering free credential file services this fall, due to dwindling student use of the service. The file is an employment portfolio that contains copies of resumes, transcripts, letters of recommendation and other materials that aid graduating students in the job-search.

"One thing we've noticed is that students, especially those that are graduating, feel they are bombarded with too many fees," said Sue Wright, director of the Career Services Center. "If students go to all the trouble to collect materials for the file, they don't want to pay more money when they come to drop them off."

The credential file service was free when the center opened more than 30 years ago, but due to postage, computers and filing expenses, a \$10 charge was created, Wright said.

Other universities may ask more than \$100 per semester for the same filing services, she said.

But even that fee proved to turn many students away.

"A lot of seniors were walking away when they came by the center to turn in their file and were asked to pay the \$10," Wright said. "We saw the fee as another

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## 29 years later ...

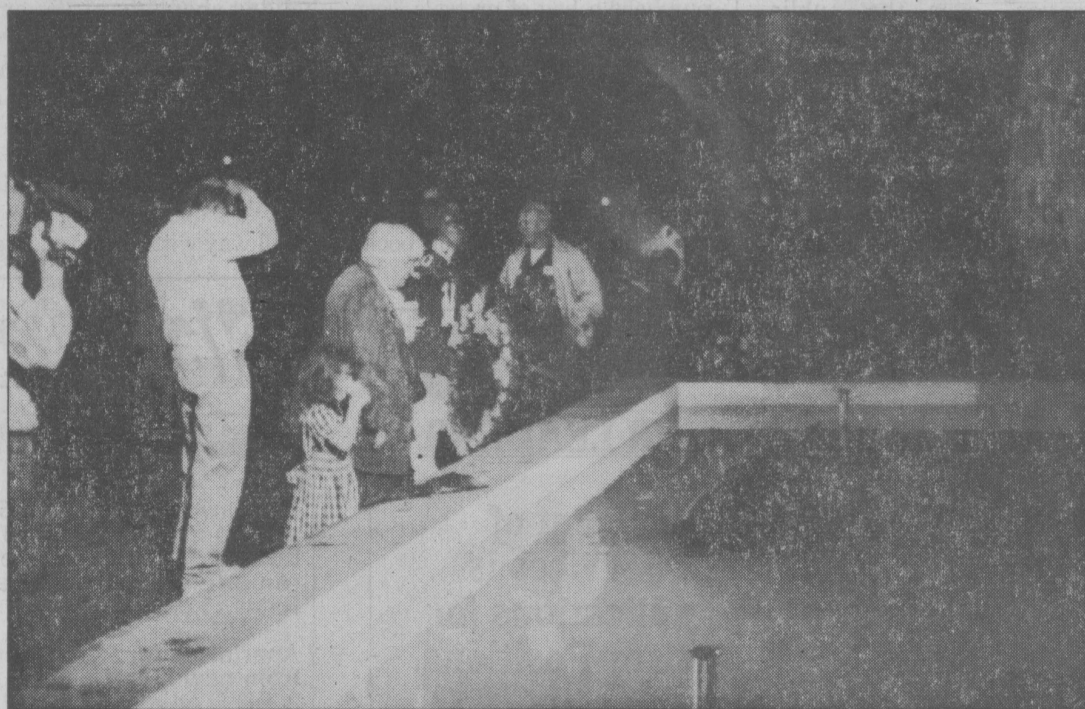
It has been 29 years since a jetliner carrying 75 Marshall football players, coaches, fans and crew members crashed into a Kenova hillside.

Sunday, hundreds gathered at the Memorial Student Center plaza to remember the lives lost in the worst aviation disaster in American sports history.

Keeping with a tradition that began in 1972 when the memorial fountain was installed, the Student Government Association sponsored a memorial service in which the fountain was turned off.

Each year on Nov. 14, the anniversary of the crash, the fountain is put to rest until the following spring. A new plaque describing the accident and listing the victims was placed at the foot of the fountain this year.

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photos by Shawn Ratcliff

Members of the community pay respect Sunday to those who died in the 1970 plane crash that claimed the lives of 75 Marshall football players, coaches, fans and crew members. The fountain is turned off each year during the ceremony and will be turned back on in the spring.

## Marshall impresses candidate

by MARISSA HAGY  
reporter

Dr. Michael Wartell, the current chancellor at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, said he is impressed with what he has seen during his visit to Marshall Monday.

"So far, it's great," Wartell said of Marshall.

Wartell, the second of four presidential candidates to visit Marshall, met with staff, faculty and students Sunday and Monday.

Seventeen students met with Wartell Monday and he answered their questions about his views on faculty evaluations, the John Marshall Plan, student legislative issues, admission standards and his reasons for wanting to come to Marshall.

Wartell said faculty evaluations were an important measuring tool for the faculty, but making those evaluations public involved privacy issues.

"We don't publicly release evaluations on the IPFW campus, but I don't have any real problem with that," Wartell said. "But it is also a privacy issue with the faculty."

Comments about the John Marshall Plan prompted Wartell to give his opinion about the university's curriculum.

"I think the Marshall Plan is an interesting way to develop a general education curriculum,"

### STILL TO COME

**Nov. 16-17:** Dr. Robert L. Carothers, president of the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, R.I.

**Nov. 17-18:** Dr. Dan Angel, president of Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, Texas

Wartell said.

Adrian Cain, the student representative on the Presidential Search and Screening Committee, said Wartell has a strong commitment to faculty and students, but that Wartell is coming from a commuter-based campus.

"His campus is a totally commuter-based campus," Cain said. "Although this may be seen as a weakness, I really don't think it is a limitation on his ability to evolve as an administrator on this campus."

During his meeting with about 40 faculty members, Wartell said he is attracted to Marshall because of its mission and range of programs.

"I really like Marshall's mission," Wartell said. "One of the real attractions of this university is that it serves all students, and I think that is important."

Wartell said Marshall's growth also is attractive.

"Marshall has places to go and it's going there," he said.

Wartell said the Marshall presidency is not a stepping stone to a larger university for his career.

"I think Marshall is a major university," Wartell said. "Marshall is a great place; you should think of it that way."

## Third candidate scheduled to visit today, Wednesday

by MARISSA HAGY  
reporter

Dr. Robert L. Carothers, the third of four candidates in the presidential search to tour the campuses, will begin his two-day visit at the South Charleston campus today.

Carothers is scheduled to arrive at the Graduate College at 3:30 p.m. to meet with the faculty and staff. On Wednesday, Carothers will begin his visit to the main campus with the President's Council breakfast at 7:45 a.m.

Following breakfast, he will meet with the staff from 9-10



CAROTHERS

a.m., the students from 10:15-11:15 a.m. and faculty from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The meetings will be on the second floor in the Memorial Student Center and are open to the public.

Carothers is the current president of the University of Rhode Island and has served as the chancellor of the Minnesota State University System and president of Southwest State University in Minnesota.

## Closed classes stress out some students

by KIMBERLY DUMONT  
reporter

For some students, registering for classes may be nothing more than extra stress.

Although MILO has made registration from students' home phones and computers easier, some students still think the process should be changed.

"Registration is the most stressful week of the year, especially when you are an underclassman," said Mike McCormick, Princeton sophomore majoring in history. "I

can't register until Monday, and it's futile to even think about which classes to sign up for before then."

"I looked at the closed class list and three classes I need are already closed," he said. "By Monday all of my classes could be closed."

"I think they need to offer more sections of the classes that close early."

Jeff Ireland, Buckhannon sophomore majoring in business, said scheduling problems could lead to long-term effects.

"It may take me longer to

graduate because most of the classes I need to take next semester are already closed," Ireland said. "The problem is not the closed classes; it is that they do not offer enough classes."

Roberta Ferguson, Registrar said registration is difficult for those who work in the Office of Registrar, too.

"We just put the schedules together; the departments decide the schedules from the deans' offices," Ferguson said. "The departments make an effort to

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### REGISTRATION CONTINUES

**Today:** Freshmen G-L  
**Nov. 17:** Freshmen M-R  
**Nov. 18:** Freshmen S-Z  
**Nov. 19:** Freshmen A-F

## Honors courses proposals due by Thursday

by KIMBERLY DUMONT  
reporter

All university faculty members who want to teach honors courses must submit proposals by Thursday.

The University Honors Council is accepting proposals for the fall 2000 semester and beyond. Only full-time Mar-

shall faculty members are eligible to submit proposals.

"Honors courses are interdisciplinary courses that focus on topics and themes that do not normally fit into the regular curriculum," said Dr. Richard Badenhausen, chairman of the University Honors Council. "Usually they are team-taught by faculty members from differ-

ent disciplines, through the council will consider proposals from individual faculty members."

Course proposals must be sent to Old Main 230 and must follow the outline set forth in the Honors Course proposal form, Badenhausen said. The proposal also must be limited to no more than three pages, excluding a faculty member's

curriculum vita, which should accompany the proposal.

The course proposal form and the mission statement are available in the Honors Program Office or on the Center for Academic Excellence homepage at [www.marshall.edu/cae/](http://www.marshall.edu/cae/).

The council is scheduled to approve courses by the end of the term.



WORTHINGTON (AP) — State police have charged a Marion County man with sexually assaulting two baby sitters, aged 11 and 12. Timothy J. Adams, 20, of Worthington is charged with first-degree sexual assault of an 11-year-old girl in late 1998. He also is charged with second-degree sexual assault of a 12-year-old baby sitter in June. Both charges are felonies. Adams was arraigned Thursday and is being held in the Marion County jail on \$30,000 bond. The criminal complaint did not say where the alleged attacks occurred.

Page edited by Amy Shultz

## Bishops want to control Catholic colleges

by RICHARD N. OSTLING  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The president of America's Roman Catholic bishops said today that "maintaining our Catholic identity through education" is the big issue facing church-related colleges, just as it was when the hierarchy established the parochial school system a century ago.

Bishop Joseph A. Fiorenza of Galveston and Houston made that link in a state-of-the-church address that opened a meeting of the nation's 290 bishops.

The proper degree of hierarchical control over the 235 U.S. Catholic colleges and universities is the overwhelming issue facing the meeting. The U.S. bishops, caught between Vatican demands and American traditions of academic freedom, vote Wednesday on rules for campus supervision.

Fiorenza said the "intensity and length" of the bishops' 19th century debate "resulted in a

school system which has been one of the glories of the Catholic experience in the United States."

Under the proposed rules, Catholic theologians would be required to obtain a mandate from a bishop in order to teach, and wherever possible a majority of board members and faculty would be committed Catholics.

Bishop John Leibrecht of Springfield, Mo., chairman of the committee on the college issue, says the rules would prevent a gradual erosion of Catholic identity at the schools, which enroll 670,000 students, without sacrificing academic freedom.

"The bishops want institutions to have autonomy," he said.

Leading Catholic educators continue to attack the guidelines as a threat.

And Bishop John D'Arcy of the Fort Wayne-South Bend, Ind., diocese, where the University of Notre Dame is located, wants further "structured dialogue" between the prelates and college leaders

*"The bishops want the institutions to have autonomy."*

Bishop John Leibrecht,  
chairman of the committee  
on the college issue

before final action.

The measure needs two-thirds approval for passage. At a closed-door session Tuesday afternoon the bishops are expected to assess whether that two-thirds majority exists, and learn whether a delay will be proposed at Wednesday's open session on the issue.

D'Arcy has said in a message to his diocese that the bishops need "a solution which protects the pastoral responsibility of the bishop and the theologian's freedom of inquiry."

Leibrecht said the new draft allows for flexibility. It would be rare for a bishop not to

approve a theologian, and the university would be able to appeal, he said.

While he contends that having a majority of Catholics on the faculty and the board is ideal, the document recognizes that it may not be feasible everywhere. The bishops, he said, value the contributions of non-Catholic professors.

If two-thirds of the bishops approve, the text goes to the Vatican for endorsement. Rome rejected a looser 1996 college policy that was overwhelmingly approved by the bishops.

The proposals stem from Pope John Paul II's 1990 decree, "Ex Corde Ecclesiae," which is intended to strengthen the Catholic commitment of church-affiliated schools worldwide.

It recognized universities' institutional autonomy and academic freedom, but only "within the confines of truth and common good."

The Rev. Michael Scanlan, president of the Franciscan University of Steubenville,

Ohio, said the rules will help Catholic institutions distinguish themselves from secular schools. "They're empowering," said Scanlan, a staunch theological conservative. "It enables you to project more clearly who you are."

The Rev. Charles Currie, executive director of the Jesuit college association, said theologians want to cooperate with the bishops so no mandate is needed. He also objected to the idea of favoring committed Catholics for board and faculty posts.

Currie said it was "really hurtful and insulting to our colleagues who don't share our faith but are committed to (our) mission." He supports D'Arcy's call for delay.

The bishops' conference, which ends Thursday, will also elect its future chief staff executive, reorganize as a more unified entity and decide on standards that would make it harder for seminarians kicked out of one Catholic institution to transfer to another.

## Study finds faults in states' practices of hiring teachers

by ANJETTA McQUEEN  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Although states are attempting to boost teacher quality, they are heading in the wrong direction with highly centralized, regulation-heavy policies, said a report issued Monday.

The Thomas Fordham Foundation, a privately run school-reform research organization, compiled data on policies it associates with teacher quality and concluded that most states stand in the way of ensuring that quality teachers get into the nation's classrooms.

"A far more promising approach is to deregulate entry into teaching, devolve personnel authority to individual schools, and then hold those schools and their staffs to account for student learning that occurs in them," said foundation president Chester E. Finn Jr., who was an Education Department official in the Reagan administration.

The Washington-based group evaluated states in areas that included how they punish or reward teachers and administrators for student achievement, conduct checks of teachers' backgrounds and college course work, and how much they give individual schools power to hire and fire teachers.

States were also judged on whether their willingness to certify candidates that did not come from traditional college teacher preparation programs.

Forty-four states require teachers to pass a test to earn a license. But the tests, which vary, grant teachers credentials based on a range of measures from basic skills to knowledge of a specific subject to teaching performance.

## Supreme Court to decide issue of prayers at football games

by RICHARD CARELLI  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court Monday agreed to decide whether public school districts can give students a virtually unfettered right to participate in student-led group prayers at football games.

Setting the stage for its first school-prayer ruling of the new millennium, the court said it will review decisions that struck down a Galveston, Texas, school board's policy as a violation of the constitutionally required separation of church and state.

Its decision, expected by late June, could help clarify the jumbled state of the law surrounding school prayer.

The Supreme Court's last major school-prayer ruling was

announced in 1992, and barred clergy-led prayers — invocations and benedictions — at public school graduation ceremonies.

"The Constitution forbids the state to exact religious conformity from a student as the price of attending her own high school graduation," the court said then.

The ruling was viewed by many as a strong reaffirmation of the highest court's 1962 decision banning organized, officially sponsored prayers from public schools.

In 1993, the justices refused to review a federal appeals court ruling in a Texas case, that allowed student-led prayers at graduation ceremonies.

That appeals court ruling, binding law in Louisiana and

Mississippi as well, conflicts with another federal appeals court's decision barring student-led graduation prayers in nine Western states.

In the Galveston case, the Santa Fe Independent School District's policy of allowing students to deliver any "message" or "invocation" over the public address system at home football games and to lead prayers at graduation ceremonies was challenged in 1995 by four students and their parents.

Monday's brief order limited the Supreme Court's review to the prayers-at-football games issue.

## Feeding the mind...

Grade-schoolers may purchase books from vending machines



CHARLESTON (AP) — Here's food for thought.

For 50 cents, kids at Chandler Elementary School in Charleston can head to the school's vending machine and purchase a bag of pretzels, corn chips or a book.

"A child has to decide, do I want a pack of potato chips or a book?" said Barry Bowe, the school's principal. "Maybe, they'll choose a book."

Reading teacher Bonnie McClung started placing books

such as "The Velveteen Rabbit" and "Amazing World of Dinosaurs" into the snack machine nine years ago.

She estimates more than 1,000 books have been purchased.

Some parents even do their holiday shopping at the snack machine, she said.

With a markdown from as much as \$7.95, the books are a bargain.

"We're just glad books are available for our kids," McClung said. "I hope it helps in some small way with their reading."

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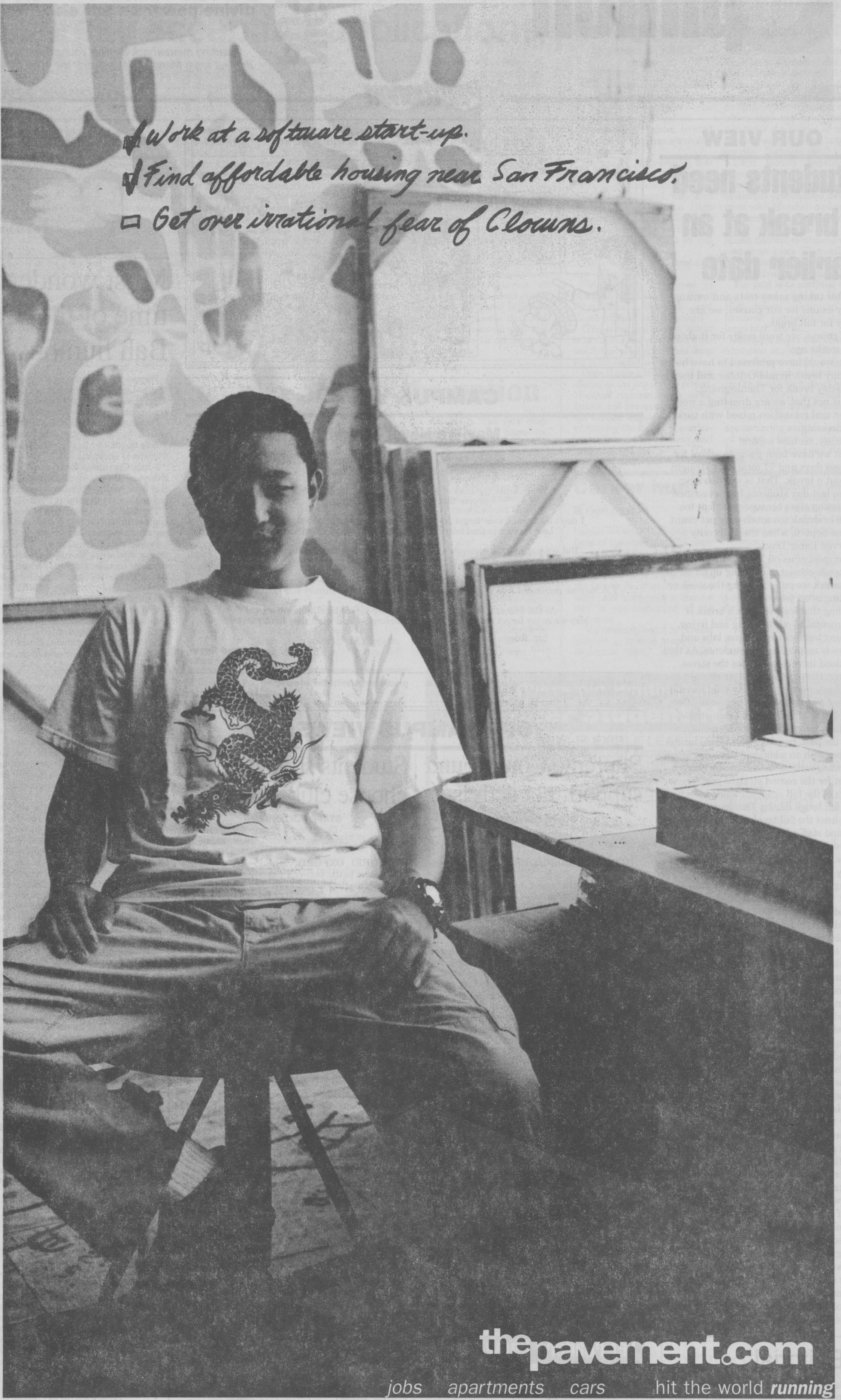
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## OUR VIEW

### Students need a break at an earlier date

After taking many tests and writing many exams for our classes, we are ready for fall break.

Of course, we were ready for it about four weeks ago.

We would have preferred to have had a two-day break in mid-October and then a three-day break for Thanksgiving.

It is not that we are dreading a week of rest and relaxation mixed with turkey and dressing.

We are, oh how we are!

But we have been going to school for 51 class days and 71 total days straight without a break. That is way too long.

The last day students had a vacation — missing class because you slept too much or drank too much does not count — was Sept. 6, when the university observed Labor Day.

For most of us on The Parthenon staff, weekends consist of catching up on all the homework we put off during the week or working other jobs.

Going that long without a break is detrimental to our learning and living. Nothing but lectures, exams, labs and essays is an overload on students. As that workload increases, so does the stress.

Sure, the stress may prepare us in our careers, but even meagerly-paid journalists get a vacation every now and then.

To put it bluntly, we're exhausted — mentally, physically and emotionally.

In the past, two days were given during October with an additional three-day break coinciding with the Thanksgiving holiday.

But for the second straight year, organizers of the fall academic calendar scheduled fall break during Thanksgiving week.

At least the fall break gave students, faculty and staff a little time to breathe a collective sigh before delving into midterms.

Yes, we realize faculty and staff are ready to kick up their heels too. It's been a long, long semester for everyone.

Dr. Frances S. Hensley, assistant vice president for academic affairs, said the initial change from two shorter vacations to one longer vacation was established with the 1998 fall calendar and finalized in February 1998 by Marshall's Calendar Committee.

Since that decision, the committee began planning calendars for two-year periods. As a result, the fall 2000 calendar will follow the same format.

Alas, there is no relief in sight.

And there may not be unless students and faculty voice their opinions.

The committee that makes the decision on the academic calendar for the following year is made up of students, faculty and other university representatives.

They are your peers and their decisions affect you. If you want two shorter vacations, tell them. If you want one longer vacation, tell them. They cannot be expected to make informed decisions that will benefit the majority of the campus if the majority of the campus does not tell them what it wants.

Also, be sure to take advantage of all that great study time during fall break.

Just make sure you don't get any cranberry sauce on that nice 20-page paper documenting the correlation between a lack of Twinkies as rations and the loss by the South in the Civil War.



## CAMPUS VIEW

### May We Never Forget

As we sit in front of the memorial fountain,  
do we remember why it was built here,

To celebrate the lives of people that were taken away from us,  
people that we hold near and dear;

I don't think we'll ever forget those whose lives were prematurely taken away,  
Lost forever in that horrible crash, on that frigid November day;

But we just need to remember that they're with their God in heaven above,  
Smiling down and watching over the lives of the ones that they love;

As Marshall's football team continues its incredible rise in the AP poll,  
May we remember how it rose up from the ashes, and how history has taken it's toll;

As the fountain is silenced for the winter season, and all is silent,  
May we never forget those who have gone before us, and what they have meant.

— Chad Beam,  
Charleston senior

Letters sent to Campus View must not exceed 250 words. Opinion pieces longer than 250 words may be used as guest columns and published elsewhere on this page.

## OFF CAMPUS VIEWS

### Supreme Court: Fund support, not activism

STAFF EDITORIAL  
Badger Herald  
University of Wisconsin

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. — Deciding precisely where we stand on the issue of segregated fees has been quite an arduous task indeed. More so than one would think considering this newspaper's history.

Since its inception in 1969, The Badger Herald's founding principle of financial independence has been strictly adhered to — at times, some would argue, to our own detriment.

In light of this legacy, it seems logical that we, as a student organization, would side with Scott Southworth and advocate that the Supreme Court abolish the seg fee system and subject all student groups to the rigors of independent fundraising.

At the University of Wisconsin in 1999, however, we know it's not that simple. Most student organizations do not have a steady income of advertising dollars and can only hold so many bake sales.

We feel there are a number of student groups providing integral support and education services, often for minorities, whose absence from this campus would be inexcusable for any modern university.

However, these groups could end up paying for the sins of their more ornery counterparts who have consistently used and, in some cases, abused the segregated fees system to bankroll their own political objectives.

In the coming months, as the Supreme Court begins debate on this case, we urge the justices to be wary of vague definitions.

In the past four years, hyperbolic warnings about the "chilling effect" the dismantling of the seg fee system would have on campus speech have risen to hysteria.

But if student activists truly believe in the causes they have fought so passionately for under the current system, we expect they will continue working toward change if it is abolished, possessed with a renewed sense of purpose and commitment in the face of economic adversity.

A difficult life lesson to be sure, the absence of a student piggy bank, though jarring at first, will hopefully foster a new era of truly committed activism at UW — a movement defined by the politics of persuasion, not coercion.

### Students should not choose clubs' funding

STAFF EDITORIAL  
Daily Mississippian  
University of Mississippi

(U-WIRE) OXFORD, Miss. — A Supreme Court legal battle between Constitution-wielding free speech activists and university leaders could have dangerous implications for universities as we know them.

The court case began in Wisconsin when a conservative law student challenged a University of Wisconsin policy allowing for the use of student activity fees to fund campus organizations.

The student, Scott Southworth, believes that his and other students' money shouldn't be used to fund organizations they don't support.

The University of Wisconsin maintains that it is fair in its distribution of funds to diverse groups, pointing to the recent visits of such politically diverse speakers as NOW President Patricia Ireland and former head of the Christian Coalition Ralph Reed.

The Justices are divided on the issue. Both the plaintiff and the defendants are using the approach that the Constitution's pledge of free speech supports their viewpoints.

Constitutional interpretation aside, the ramifications of this Supreme Court decision could bring doom to campus diversity.

It's understandable that students are concerned about the programs that their dollars support. However, allowing students to pick and choose which organizations they want to support would worsen the condition of a well-provided for majority and malnourished minorities.

Worse yet, student direction of activity funds would allow a political majority on campus to close off, not only themselves, but all other students from the vast palate of diverse ideas that is supposed to be synonymous with a university.

Open minds are hard enough to find in America as it is.

By stripping the university of its power to direct funds to groups with diversified viewpoints, the Supreme Court would only make an already difficult situation much worse.

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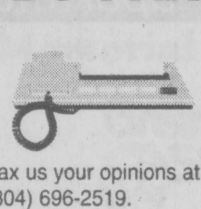
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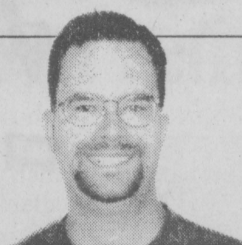


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"We have an intangible other teams don't have. We play with divine power on our side."

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the first team Marshall fielded after the 1970 plane crash

## HIS VIEW



MARK  
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### Most wonderful time of the year? Bah humbug!

Forgive me for jumping the gun on the holiday season in this column, but the malls and superstores have had Christmas trees and ornaments on display since Halloween.

I'm not certain, but I thought the Christmas season began the day after Thanksgiving. That's the day when everyone decides to start Christmas shopping.

I like Christmas for a variety of reasons. Everyone always seems to be a little happier and little, well, jollier than usual. But that is before they try to shop at the mall.

The mall is not exactly a friendly place to begin with and it can get downright ugly during the Christmas season.

People stop right in front of you to talk to others. And we're all guilty of this crime, but if you're in tight quarters, which is usually the case after Thanksgiving, then you stand a good chance of coming away with not only a few gifts, but some bruises as well.

I haven't learned what the hot toy this season is, but I'm guessing it might have something to do with Pokemon, which is something else I know nothing about. If this Christmas turns out to be reminiscent of past holidays, we'll find out the hottest toy soon enough.

All the morning news shows will run a story on it and the press will pick up on two parents who get into a fight over the toy. It happens every year.

If anyone out there engages in battle for the hot toy of the season, please remember to stick and move. Fly like a butterfly and sting like a bee, as the great Muhammad Ali said.

And everyone waits until the day after Thanksgiving. There are those strange creatures who shop for gifts in August, but that's because they don't like the competition of trying to get to the last Furby or Tickle Me Elmo before someone else. Shopping during the Christmas season requires nerves, skill and the ability to push your way through a slow moving crowd.

It's bad enough to try to find a parking space that's open. You could drive around for hours looking, but you'll never find the space near the front you thought was open. That's because that space was a mirage, brought on by too much eggnog and turkey the day before. The best bet is to find a space, be it in no man's land or somewhere else, and park. Then you can get a headache while you shop.

And after you've spent all day trying to find the perfect gift, which will be exchanged the day after Christmas, you can sit and think about how Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year. And you can think about that as you sit in traffic for hours, because everyone else is trying to go home too.

Ah Christmas, it is the most wonderful time of the year.

For columnists, anyway.

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# Dean of Libraries position empty; university accepting applications

by **KIMBERLY DUMONT**  
reporter

The search for a new university president is nearing completion, but the search for a new dean of libraries has just begun.

Monica Brooks has served as the interim director of library services since Josephine Fidler retired this past spring. A search committee is seeking applications to fill this position permanently, but the title has changed to dean of university libraries.

"The position has had a title change because of the increased scope of activities and increased complexity of the library system, as well as its fundamental importance in supporting all academic programs at Marshall," said Dr. Joan Mead, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and head of the search committee.

The library is not just about books anymore, Mead said.

"The library is the scale of the university; it needs strong and visionary leadership," she said. "We have to have someone with a vision of the future."

Mead said the university is search for someone with a master of library science degree as a minimum degree.

"This person must be able to work with network information technologies and integrated library systems, because so much library information is online," she said.

"All of Marshall's libraries are part of an integrated system. There is a number of libraries involved with this position."

The new dean will be in charge of all libraries on the Huntington campus and the library on the South Charleston campus, Mead said.

The committee has advertise-

ments on the Internet and in "The Chronicle for Higher Education" and "College and Research Library News," a specialized library resource for academics.

"We are just beginning to receive applications because the advertisement has not been out long," Mead said. "The search is just getting under way."

"We cannot tell much about the applicants because we don't have them all yet."

Once the committee stops accepting applications, the members will meet to go over all applications and rank them, Mead said.

"Once we have our short list the next step will be to invite the candidates to campus for interview," she said. "This is the regular procedure for any nationwide search."

"I cannot see it (selection of

the new dean of libraries) happening in the time between now and next semester," Mead said.

"Collectively we (the committee) will come up with the best applicants for the job."

The committee is made up of faculty and staff from the Huntington and South Charleston campuses, and Dr. David Price, coordinator of library services for the state of West Virginia.

Price oversees the public library system in the state, Mead said.

"Diversity of the committee is the key to selecting applicants," Mead said. "The strength of this committee is its wide representation of many appropriate areas of the university. All these different perspectives means that the short list we come up with will be appropriate for all needs of the university."

## Hannan High School Project: Marshall promotes education, development for local students

by **JAMEY L. JONES**  
reporter

The Hannan High School Project is a program designed to fix up and improve the Mason County high school.

Hannan High School, located in Mason county, has about 250 students.

Marshall University has stepped in to help improve the curriculum and facilities.

Dr. Stan Maynard, who is in charge of the Hannan High School Project, said, "We developed a plan to bring Hannan High School up to what we call exemplary status."

"This fits in to Marshall's new vision," he said.

"We recently developed at Marshall the Center for Rural Educational Research and Development," said Maynard.

"The basic goal of that center is to do for rural education what our School of Medicine has done for rural medicine," he said.

Once Hannan High School was chosen as the site for the project, Marshall representatives, along faculty and the new principal of the school, began a process of evaluating the facilities, curriculum, attitudes of teachers and students, and test scores. "Our dean has committed a graduate

student who sits with classes. They have a satellite dish, and next semester we hope to have extra classes down-linked, and we are in the process of obtaining funds for a new computer center where they can have remediation types of activities as well as second year math and language courses," Maynard said.

Each faculty senate day, Hannan High School has a three-hour block of time built in to discuss professional development with Marshall and master teachers from various fields.

The program started last March and will continue over the next three years. They will continue looking at teaching strategies and building conditions.

The goal is to continue working toward making Hannan High School a learning environment comparable to any large high school.

Maynard hopes that Marshall education students will be able to participate in the project as soon as next semester. He thinks it will be a great help to both Marshall students and Hannan High School students.

"Some very positive things are occurring and we are excited about what this means for Marshall students and Hannan High School."

## WMUL student named best in the nation

by **RYAN WHEELER**  
reporter

After WMUL-FM took 10 of 18 awards at a national competition two weeks ago, Vince Payne hauled in one more prize for good measure.

Payne, a Hansford senior, received the only Broadcast Best of Show award in the country.

The Associated Collegiate Press (ACP) recognized him as the best in the nation last week with a letter and trophy.

WMUL's sports director won for his writing and reporting of the 1998 memorial service that honored the 1970 Marshall plane crash victims.

Payne's feature package

*"I didn't know I won. It is a pretty awesome achievement just to be recognized on a level like that."*

**Vince Payne,**

Hansford senior and Broadcast Best of Show award recipient

aired during the 5 p.m. edition of "Newscenter 88," on Nov. 13, 1998.

Payne was shocked to hear about the award.

"I thought they were going to give it in Atlanta. I didn't know I won," he said. "It is a pretty awesome achievement just to be recognized on a level like that."

Dr. Charles G. Bailey, faculty

manager of WMUL, said, "This is an honor for WMUL-FM and Vince Payne. Winning speaks well for Marshall University, as the student broadcasters of WMUL-FM consistently earn top honors in direct competition with nationally recognized colleges and universities."

Payne put Marshall in the national spotlight yet again in this attention-gaining year for

the university. The ACP Web site lists only one name for Best Radio in the country — Marshall University.

"This is one of those things we can parade around," said Dr. Hal Shaver, dean of the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications. "Having a nationally-acclaimed, award-winning station speaks well for the university."

Payne aspired to be only a student disc jockey at WMUL when he started. Now the soon-to-be graduate has piled awards onto his résumé and is looking forward to a career in radio.

"It is a great accomplishment," he said. "It is the greatest award I've ever gotten."

## Break too late for some

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environment. "But everybody enjoys having the week of Thanksgiving off as well. It would be optimum to have both."

Dr. Steven Shuklian, professor of economics, also weighed the options.

"The main problem is how late into the semester the break comes," Shuklian said. "This makes it difficult when it comes to testing because the mass amount of material you have to cover during the

last week.

"It's nice to have Thanksgiving week off," he said. "But if you had an October break, a lot of people wouldn't be able to make it home for the holidays to spend time with their families."

Dr. Patricia A. Broce, professor of accounting, said the high amount of work that centers around midterms wears on students by the end of the semester.

"Students are pretty well burned out right now," Broce said. "But no matter what decision is made, some people will be happy and others will be upset."

Dr. Sam Dameron, professor of criminal justice, said the

week gives him the opportunity to grade papers, but students suffer from constant work that the late break does not relieve.

"I see this as a great opportunity to concentrate more time on grading," he said. "But most students are stressed and would have probably rather had an October break."

For Bradley Hess, freshman biology major from Milton, that stress has led to missing classes. "I think it would be better to get a break in the middle," Hess said.

"I'm so burned out because we didn't get a break this semester. I've missed some classes from being too tired."

works very hard to help the students as much as possible," Ferguson said.

Ferguson said students should be prepared with alternate course selections.

"Usually they can find an opening or we can find an opening when we search for open sections," Ferguson said.

## Full classes stress some students

■ From page 1

meet the needs of the students and they offer the courses in a

sequence that will allow students to proceed to graduation.

"The problem at Marshall is not the system, it is the course availability, and that's frustrating to students and people in this office, as well as advisors all over campus."

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## Three in a row!

Herd clinches division title, MAC championship bid with win

**KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP)** — To Marshall coach Bob Pruett, it was like playing golf against a buddy.

In this case, however, his buddy's driver wasn't clicking. Marshall remained undefeated and clinched its third straight Mid-American Conference East title Saturday with a 31-17 win over Western Michigan, coached by Gary Darnell, one of Pruett's best friends.

The Thundering Herd moved up from No. 12 to 11th in this week's AP poll.

"It's like beating him at golf," Pruett said. "You laugh and giggle for a while. Then you move on."

After a bye week, the Herd (10-0, 7-0 MAC) finishes its regular season against Ohio. Then the fun begins all over again as they host Western Michigan (7-3, 6-1) in the MAC championship game Dec. 3 at Huntington, W.Va.

The MAC champion earns an automatic berth in the Motor City Bowl at Pontiac, Mich. But if Marshall goes 12-0, the Herd might be attractive to a

bigger bowl.

"Marshall is about winning championships," said Pruett, who chats on the telephone with Darnell almost every week.

Marshall, whose 14-game winning streak is the nation's longest among Division I-A teams, has played in the past two Motor City bowls, losing to Mississippi in 1997 and beating Louisville last season.



PRUETT

The Broncos already had clinched the MAC West before hosting Marshall before a sellout crowd of 30,472 at Waldo Stadium.

"Looking ahead, it will be a heck of a game," Pruett said. "They'll adjust. We'll have to play our best football."

Maybe not.

Marshall quarterback Chad Pennington and Western Michigan's Tim Lester went into Saturday's game as two of the leading passers in the

country. But the excitement of playing in a big game proved too much for Lester.

As a result, Pennington dominated, passing for 339 yards and two touchdowns.

"Getting pressure on Lester was a big factor," Pruett said. "As was our ability to protect Chad."

Pennington, second in the country with a rating of 173.6, completed 27 of 40 passes to eight receivers. Lester, fifth with a rating of 151.5, hit 24 of 43 for 193 yards and one touchdown, but Marshall turned both of the interceptions off him into scores.

"I was excited, especially early," Lester said. "I just had too much adrenaline. This is a team that's in our conference, it's at home, and it's been hyped all week."

Lester has 30 touchdown passes this season, while Pennington leads the nation with 31.

A 53-yard field goal by Brad Selent and Robert Sanford's 4-yard touchdown run gave the Broncos a 10-7 lead in the second quarter. It was the first time Marshall had trailed in a

game since opening the season with a 13-10 comeback win at Clemson.

"Naw, we weren't down," Pruett said. "The mood on the sideline was, 'Let's score a touchdown.'"

That's exactly what the Herd did. Doug Chapman, who had scored on a 3-yard run in the first quarter, dove in from 1 yard out with 2:55 remaining in the half. Chapman, getting his first start after injuring a knee two weeks earlier, carried 29 times for 108 yards.

The Herd blew the game open with scores on three straight possessions in the third quarter. Pennington sandwiched 19-yard TD passes to James Williams and Lanier Washington around a 26-yard field goal by J.R. Jenkins.

"We needed to manage the third quarter better," said Darnell, who was an assistant at Wake Forest with Pruett in the mid-1980s. "The difference between them and us is a TD pass with 6:08 left in the game."

"We've got to get our level of execution up to theirs," Lester said.

## Herd volleyball falls twice

Although the Herd only needs one more victory to reach its third consecutive Mid-American Conference tournament, it could not get a win this weekend. The Thundering Herd fell Friday to Northern Illinois 3-2 despite a career day by freshman Sara Boyles, who recorded 12 blocks in the loss.

Marshall then faced Western Michigan Saturday but could not overcome the Broncos, despite forcing a fifth game after falling behind 2-1. With the losses, the Thundering Herd's record is 14-13 overall and 8-8 in the MAC.

## Fall intramural season nears end; plenty of competition remains

by MIKE KLUG  
reporter

As the President's Cup fall season winds down, teams are looking to build on their points in the standings as they head into next semester.

"The ATOs are having a great year," said Tom Lovins, director of intramural sports and fitness activities. "I can't remember when a team had such a big lead this early in the year."

"That doesn't mean the race in the Fraternity Division is over, but if they just compete in all the remaining events, they will be hard to catch."

"We have had pretty decent participation," said Sharon Stanton, assistant director of intramural sports and fitness activities.

"We would like to see more residence hall and women's teams. Fraternity teams have participated very well. Basketball is coming, and this should mean even more teams will participate."

The events that still remain this semester are the Pre-Season Basketball Tournament, the Basketball Shootout and Pickle-ball singles and doubles.

All of these events will count in the President's Cup standings and will be held in Gullickson Hall gym.

The Pre-Season Basketball Tournament started Monday and will continue through Thursday.

The Basketball Shootout will start at 4 p.m. Wednesday. The one-day event will include a free throw contest, a three point contest, and a three on three basketball tournament.

The entry deadline for Pickle-ball singles and doubles is

### President's Cup standings

#### FRATERNITY DIVISION

ALPHA TAU OMEGA	620
ALPHA SIGMA PHI	10.5
SIGMA PHI EPSILON	247
PI KAPPA ALPHA	246
LAMBDA CHI ALPHA	-18
PI KAPPA PHI	-63.5

#### OPEN DIVISION

ROTC	259.5
K of CL	211.5
WILDCATS	203
BCM	177
WAVES	103
BLAZE	66
REAL MEN	62
DOGS	51
KUDRUSH	39.5
PROWL	38.5
13 TTE	33
INTERNATIONAL	31
6 TTE	21.5
PENTHOUSE	17.5
HODGES	13
YOUNG DEMOCRATS	3
4 TTE	-50
6TH AVE	-50

#### WOMEN'S DIVISION

GDI	284
SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA	169.5
ALPHA XI DELTA	120
DELTA ZETA	65.5
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MARSHALL DEW	-20

Standings as of Nov. 12

Nov. 30. Play begins in singles at 6 p.m. Play begins in doubles at 4 p.m., Dec. 6.

"Pickle-ball is the most popular one day event that we have," Stanton said. "It's kind of like tennis with a wooden stick and lower nets."

The total points are for the fall manager's meeting, Track & Field, Team Tennis, Grass Volleyball, Golf, Softball, and Six-on-Six Volleyball.

## Women's hoops team finishes preseason 2-0

by HOMER DAWSON  
reporter

Sunday afternoon, the Marshall women's basketball squad finished its exhibition season with a 67-49 win over the AAU Cincinnati Stars. The win gave the Herd a 2-0 record for the exhibition season.

The Herd had four players score in double figures and two double-doubles in points and rebounds. That fit the pre-game plan of head coach Juliene Simpson.

"I told the players before the game that I wanted four in double figures," Simpson said.

The first half was closely contested, but the Herd was in control throughout, falling behind only once, 13-12. The Herd opened up its lead throughout the second half and ran away with the victory.

The Herd was led by sophomore forward Au'Yana Ferguson, who scored 21 points and pulled down 14 rebounds.

"I let the shots come to me this afternoon instead of forcing them," Ferguson said. "I took advantage of my teammates having confidence in me."

Yashico Stevens had the other double-double, with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

Toni Patillo had 11 points and six assists, and Marisa Williams poured in ten points.

"We had a phenomenal second half," Simpson said. "We did a good job of finding the right players to shoot the ball."

The team now has a week of practice before it begins the regular season on the road. The Herd will face Youngstown State Nov. 23 and continues its road trip Nov. 26 in Lawrenceville, N.J. against the Broncos of Rider University.



FERGUSON

## Herd sports in action

### Softball:

New Marshall softball coach Shonda Stanton has signed her first two recruits as the Thundering Herd head coach. Ksandra Sims of Kelso, Wash., and Allison Webb of Wayne signed national letters-of-intent to play softball for the Herd beginning with the 2001 season.

Sims, a pitcher, posted a 19-1 record and an ERA of 0.27 in leading her high school team to a third place finish in the class 4A State Championships in Washington.

Webb, a first-baseman from Wayne, has been named to the All-West Virginia AA first-team the past two seasons at Wayne High School.

### Men's basketball:

Head coach Greg White announced the signing of two more players for the 2000-01 season.

Gabriel Kennedy, a 6-foot-9, 230-pound power forward/center from Camden, Ala. averaged 16 points and 11 rebounds per game as a junior.

Ardo Armpalu, a forward currently playing in Estonia, became the third Marshall recruit in the early signing period when he signed a national letter-of-intent to play for the Thundering Herd. Armpalu played his junior season in Wellston, Ohio where he averaged 17.3 points and 12.5 rebounds per game.

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**by SHAWN RATCLIFF**  
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A black and white photograph showing a large crowd of people gathered in an outdoor public space, possibly a park or plaza. In the foreground, many people are seen from behind, looking towards the center of the gathering. The crowd is dense, with individuals of various ages and clothing styles. In the background, a large, multi-story building with many windows is visible, suggesting an urban setting. There are some trees and lampposts scattered throughout the scene, adding to the atmosphere of a public event.



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Members of Gamma Beta Phi gathered Saturday pick up trash along side U.S. Route 60.

## Adopt-A-Highway turns students into street cleaners

Although students in the Gamma Beta Phi society spent hours picking up trash Saturday, they came out smelling like roses.

Twenty-three members of the honor society volunteered for the Adopt-A-Highway project Saturday morning.

The students canvassed the two-mile stretch of U.S. Route 60 between Wal-Mart and the West Virginia State Police barracks in Huntington. They walked along the roadside for several hours, picking up trash strewn along the heavily-traveled road.

The students donned orange vests and green rubber gloves and spread out along the stretch of highway in search of garbage.

They did not have to look hard to find some. Litter was abundant along the roadway.

Among the more interesting items recovered from the side of the road were magazines, beer bottles and one plastic lawn chair.

"Adopt-A-Highway is just one of the many things we do to try to make Marshall and Huntington a better place," said Mike Kasey, the Marshall Chapter President.

Gamma Beta Phi was founded in 1964. It is both an honor society and a service organization.

There are more than 60,000 members at universities from across the United States. More than 340 students are members of the society at Marshall.

Membership in Marshall's chapter has increased over the past year. Last year the society claimed 210 members.

The Marshall chapter now

has a Web site to keep its members informed of events and meetings sponsored by the society. The Web address is [www.marshall.edu/gbp/](http://www.marshall.edu/gbp/).

The Adopt-A-Highway event was used as not only a community service opportunity, but also as a social event.

"It's hard to get everyone together because we have so many members," Kasey said. "This is an event where some of our students can meet each other."

Among the service activities in which the society participates are fund-raisers for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and a Christmas toy drive for underprivileged kids.

"It's part of the stipulations to joining Gamma Beta Phi, to serve the community," Kasey said. "It's the foundation of our society."

Although the society is involved in many activities, Kasey says the Adopt-A-Highway program is among the most important.

"We've been doing it for four



Mike Casey, middle, president of Gamma Beta Phi carries a full bag of trash along with other members after they adopted one of the Huntington highways.

years, so it's a long-term program," he said. "We want to let everyone in the community know that the honor students at Marshall are doing their part to improve the community."

All members of the society have to earn six points each semester to remain in good standing.

Two points are designated business points, and can be earned by attending chapter meetings. Two service points, which can be earned through community service such as Adopt-A-Highway, also are required.

In addition, two miscellaneous points can be earned by either performing additional community service or attending extra meetings.

Society member Matthew Thornton said the hard work was worth the while.

"It's important that we do this," Thornton said, "because it's good for the community and the environment."

Member Kasey McAtee said the time spent at work was difficult.

"It's fun, but it's a lot of hard work," she said.

According to Kasey, the society will sponsor a tailgate event for its members before the Mid-American Conference Championship football game Dec. 3 to celebrate the society's hard work.

"We just want to get everyone together and have some fun," Kasey said. "We do so much volunteer work, it isn't often we get to just spend time together and meet each other."

The next major community service effort for the society is the Gamma Beta Phi Christmas toy drive Nov. 29 through Dec. 3.



ABOVE: This plastic chair was one of the many items found along side U.S. Route 60.

RIGHT: Matthew Thornton was one of the 23 Gamma Beta Phi members who gave up time on their Saturday to help clean up the highway.



## Smoke on big screen, asleep in the aisles

by EVAN BEVINS  
reporter

Surgeon General's Warning — movies about cigarette companies can be very, very long.

That should be printed on tickets to "The Insider," a good film that might find viewers losing interest after the first two or two and a half hours.

Based on a true story (actually, a "Vanity Fair" article, no, really), "The Insider" stars Russell Crowe as a high-level whistle-blower in the tobacco industry and Al Pacino as a news producer who wants to provide him with a forum to blow that whistle.

Pushed too far by his bosses at the Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corporation, scientist Jeffery Wigand (Crowe) tells Lowell Bergman (Pacino) his story. He tapes a "60 Minutes"

Rating: ★★ 1/2

"The Insider" rated R, is now playing at The Keith-Albee Theatre in downtown Huntington.

interview with Mike Wallace (Christopher Plummer).

Then somebody pushes back — with a vicious smear campaign and death threats. And it may turn out that Wigand's gone through all this for nothing, as CBS lawyers try to prevent a lawsuit by stopping his interview from airing.

"The Insider" will appeal to audiences for its drama, cast and targeting of a familiar villain, the cigarette insider.

No danger of any sympathy there.

No danger of any moral dilemma in the first half of the film either. Are cigarette and tobacco companies bad? Heck yeah, go get 'em. But I doubt the real world is so black and white.

Shades of gray become more apparent when Bergman begins his fight to get the interview on the air.

Questions are raised about the relationship between business and journalism in the modern mass media world.

Pacino portrays Bergman as a fiery defender of the First Amendment. But you also wonder — is he doing what he does for all the right reasons or is he something of a rebel without a cause?

Wigand isn't a squeaky-clean hero either. Although the minor mistakes from his past are obviously blown out of proportion by his enemies, the

man himself is a question mark.

You know he's telling the truth, but how stable is this guy? And as he starts to fall apart, you may find yourself asking, could I handle it any better?

These talented performances are stretched out for close to three hours. There aren't many subplots to keep things interesting.

"The Insider" is basically divided in to two stories — Wigand vs. Brown and Williamson and Bergman vs. the CBS legal department.

The final credits point out "Although based on a true story, certain events have been fictionalized for dramatic effect."

Nowhere is this more apparent than in director Micheal Mann's excessive use of slow motion shots, to imply extra drama in just about every



Jeffrey Wigand (Russell Crowe) and Lowell Bergman (Al Pacino) try to uncover the truth about the tobacco industry in the movie "The Insider."

scene. Actually, less slow-mo equal shorter movie and perhaps a little more drama.

In spite of its flaws, "The Insider" is more good than bad. And I'm not just blowing smoke.

### Happenings...\*

\*your entertainment guide for activities and events at and outside of Marshall.

### On Campus

TUESDAY, NOV. 16, 1999

Residence Hall Programs, "Mama's Gonna Knock You Out," Holderby Hall, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

Residence Hall Programs, "Religious Panel," Twin Towers East, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

Et Cetera - Marshall's Literary Magazine, organizational meeting, Corby Hall 407, 3:15 p.m. Contact: Professor Van Kirk at 696-6637

P.R.O.W.L., meeting, Campus Christian Center, 9:10 p.m. Contact: Rev. Bob Bondurant at 696-3052

Student Activities Programming Board, meeting, Memorial Student Center 2W37, 3:15 p.m. Contact: 696-2290

Student Government Association, meeting, Memorial Student Center 2W29B, 4 p.m. Contact: 696-6435

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17, 1999

Residence Hall Programs, "Weight Watchers," Buskirk Hall, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

Residence Hall Programs, "\$\$\$ Cha-Ching \$\$\$," Laidley Hall, 9:30 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

Baptist Campus Ministries, meeting, Campus Christian Center, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Jerry Losh at 696-3053

Habitat for Humanity, meeting, Campus Christian Center, 1 p.m.

Lambda Society, meeting, Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-6623

Student Organization for Alumni Relations, meeting, Erickson Alumni Center, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Bob Dorado at 696-6633

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